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1. A police officer recently transferred to the headquarters of the paramilitary police ("Hauptverwaltung für Ausbildung"), who had served in the German Navy during the war, was told by Chief Inspector Heitsch that he is slated for an assignment as naval instructor. Heitsch added that the final decision on the organization of naval training facilities would be reached before the end of January."

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2. The Police College (Höhere Polizeischule) of the GAI at Kochstedt was taken over in September 1949 and converted into an advanced training school for paramilitary officers."* The commandant of the school is ex-General Freytag (born about 1891), who was captured by Soviet forces in East Prussia in 1945 and returned to Germany with several other former generals in 1949. His chief of staff is a former General Staff major named von Witzleben.
3. Several instances have been noted where the Sovietniks attached to paramilitary units are assisted by junior officers of the MVD (presumed to belong in fact to the MGB). For example, the Bereitschaft in Apollensdorf (Category C) has an MVD Lieutenant; the Category A Bereitschaft at Kichenensee has in the same position a German-speaking Russian who claims to be a civilian and refuses to divulge his military rank. The main function of these assistants seems to be the continuous vetting of personnel.

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Comment: The training of policemen in navigation was reported in [REDACTED] reported that the police were to be equipped with boats; an undisputed report states that this equipment will consist of eight torpedo boats and 12 speed-boats.

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Comment: This corrects the statement [REDACTED] that the advanced training school at Kochstedt was as yet only in the planning stage.

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